

Controlling motor drives with AccessPoint

Many pieces of equipment are energized/operated starting electric motors driven by variable speed/frequency drives. It is normally quite simple to use AccessPoint kit AP100 to control a VFD.

Before ordering, check that:

- The drive can be (or is) configured for "three wire control" (i.e. a normally open Start switch, a normally closed Stop switch and an optional normally open Reverse switch. If you are unsure, contact your distributor with the make and model of your drive, and they can help you with configuration settings.
- The inputs of the drive can be activated by pulling low to the same potential as the OV or Gnd pin of the analog speed input.
- The excitation voltage of the analog input is not more than 12VDC.



A typical connection to a VFD that meets these criteria is shown in figure 1.



Figure 1



If the common pin of the motion inputs is not at the same potential as the ground or OV pin of the analogue speed input, then specify that you need the relay option for a VFD when ordering AP100.

The wiring diagram then becomes:



